

making sure that this is very clear of what is not our policy option.

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. HOEKSTRA. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time. I will be the last speaker, and I will close as soon as my colleague yields back.

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. If the gentleman has no further speakers, Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I might consume.

I just want to point out for a number of Members who have asked about what's the relationship of this reconciliation to the loan scandals that the Nation was witness to earlier this year, this legislation does not contain the language of the Sunshine Act that we passed overwhelmingly in May of this year. That will be contained in the Higher Education Act that the House and Senate plan to do soon. It's in the Senate bill, and we have passed the Sunshine Act.

As Members will recall, this was legislation that falls on the heels of public reports of colleges and lenders and their relationships between colleges and lenders and special relationships that were developed in some cases for the exchange of gifts, financial favors, holidays, special treatment to people working for the colleges that were steering people to a particular lender for their loans. Whether or not that was in the best interest of the student or not really didn't come into play.

These practices have gone on for a considerable period of time. In some cases, they've been brought to the attention of the Department of Education by the Inspector General. They were not properly dealt with, and the Attorney General of the State of New York, Mr. Cuomo, brought them to the Nation's attention with his investigation of some of the large lending institutions and these practices and entered into a number of consent agreements with those individuals.

We had hearings on this matter and the failure of oversight by both the Congress and the Department, and we passed the Sunshine Act in reaction to those hearings that we had, again, and was passed on a strong bipartisan vote.

We think these two things are connected. The terms are now removing the excessive subsidies that were used in many instances to grease these relationships for the benefit of the lenders and not for the benefit of the students and of their families who are borrowing the money to pay for their college education.

So I just wanted to bring the Members up to snuff on that matter.

With that, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. HOEKSTRA. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself as much time as I shall consume.

Mr. Speaker, the Senate rejected transferring al Qaeda terrorists from Gitmo to our homeland. That was a wise decision. That is a decision that

my colleagues here in the House should support tonight.

Gitmo is a facility that is working. It's working in many different ways. It's keeping terrorists, these terrorists, away from the homeland. It's providing us with an opportunity to get the information that may be necessary and may be helpful in keeping America safe. When the Senate acted, they acted overwhelmingly, 94-3, to say make sure that these individuals do not come to the United States.

It provides us with the alternatives and the flexibility that, as we move forward in defeating radical jihadists, that we will have the strategies in place to keep us safe, to get the information that we need, provide us with the background to implement the correct strategies.

We are safer keeping these terrorists in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, 528 miles away from the homeland. I encourage my colleagues to vote for this motion to instruct conferees. It is a good motion. It's a good decision, a good direction that was put forward by the Members of the other body; and I hope that we stand with them tonight.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the previous question is ordered on the motion to instruct.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to instruct.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. HOEKSTRA. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE HONORABLE JOHN E. PETERSON, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable JOHN E. PETERSON, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 22, 2007.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: This is to formally notify you, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that I have been served with a judicial subpoena for documents issued by the United States District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania.

After consulting with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the privileges and rights of the House.

Sincerely,

JOHN E. PETERSON,
Member of Congress.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on questions previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

Motions to suspend the rules with regard to H.R. 694 and H.R. 3020, and

Motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 2669, in each case by the yeas and nays.

The vote on the motion to suspend the rules with regard to H. Res. 552 will be taken tomorrow.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

MINORITY SERVING INSTITUTION DIGITAL AND WIRELESS TECHNOLOGY OPPORTUNITY ACT OF 2007

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 694, as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Washington (Mr. BAIRD) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 694, as amended.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 331, nays 59, not voting 42, as follows:

[Roll No. 847]

YEAS—331

Abercrombie	Buyer	Donnelly
Ackerman	Calvert	Doyle
Aderholt	Camp (MI)	Drake
Akin	Capito	Dreier
Alexander	Capps	Edwards
Allen	Capuano	Ehlers
Altmire	Cardoza	Ellison
Andrews	Carnahan	Ellsworth
Arcuri	Carney	Emanuel
Baca	Carson	Emerson
Bachus	Castle	Engel
Baird	Castor	English (PA)
Baker	Chabot	Eshoo
Baldwin	Chandler	Etheridge
Bean	Clarke	Everett
Becerra	Clay	Fallin
Berkley	Cleaver	Farr
Berman	Clyburn	Fattah
Berry	Cohen	Ferguson
Bilirakis	Cole (OK)	Filner
Bishop (GA)	Conyers	Forbes
Bishop (NY)	Cooper	Fortenberry
Bishop (UT)	Costello	Fossella
Blumenauer	Courtney	Frank (MA)
Blunt	Cramer	Frelinghuysen
Bonner	Crenshaw	Gerlach
Bono	Crowley	Giffords
Boozman	Cuellar	Gilchrest
Boren	Cummings	Gillibrand
Boswell	Davis (AL)	Gillmor
Boucher	Davis (CA)	Gohmert
Boustany	Davis (IL)	Gonzalez
Boyd (FL)	Davis, Lincoln	Goode
Boyda (KS)	Davis, Tom	Goodlatte
Brady (PA)	DeFazio	Gordon
Brady (TX)	DeGette	Granger
Braley (IA)	Delahunt	Green, Al
Brown (SC)	DeLauro	Green, Gene
Brown, Corrine	Dent	Hall (NY)
Brown-Waite,	Diaz-Balart, L.	Hall (TX)
Ginny	Diaz-Balart, M.	Hare
Buchanan	Dicks	Harman
Burgess	Dingell	Hastings (FL)
Butterfield	Doggett	Hastings (WA)